

FROWN ON SHIFTS IN ELECTION LAW

Some of Republican County Committee Will Oppose Changes.

PLAN TO ABOLISH OFFICE OF CORONER

Chances for Department of Markets Fade—Inspection Duties May Come Under One Head.

There is likely to be a lively fight at the special meeting of the Republican County Committee which will be called soon to consider the report of the committee on city legislation and the report of the committee on changes in the election law.

Abraham Gruber, leader of the 17th Assembly District, practically served notice at the regular meeting of the county committee on Thursday night that he would oppose some features of the reports. It was on the cards to pass them as they had been amended by the executive committee in the afternoon, but Mr. Gruber announced that there ought to be several hours' debate on such important matters, and as the committee had invited former Senator J. E. Burton to address them, consideration of the reports was put off.

Any definite discussion of the Argersinger bill, which would do away with the Massachusetts ballot and restore the official state convention, is avoided in the report on election law, which was submitted by Ezra P. Prentice, former chairman of the state committee.

"This bill is now before the Senate Judiciary Committee, which, your committee is informed, does not intend to report the Argersinger bill," the report says, "but to prepare and report a bill amending the election law drawn by the committee."

"You may say," declared Samuel S. Koenig, president of the county committee, yesterday, "that we are not in favor of abolishing the Massachusetts ballot and direct primaries, nor do we want to see the official state convention restored."

While not favoring the Argersinger bill, a minority report, which will be considered with the others and which is signed by Ely Rosenberg and Justice John B. Davies, declares:

"We favor the principle of having the party emblem appear once on the ballot alongside a circle for straight voting and having the body of the ballot blocked off, as at present, in groups of candidates and without the emblems appearing before any particular name."

"We urge the use of voting machines at the next election. We consider they are absolutely essential under the Massachusetts form of voting. They eliminate the fraudulent count and prevent the fraudulent marking of ballots."

The report of the Prentice committee opposes the bill that would permit a blind voter to be accompanied into the booth with a "guide." The present law, which permits a person so afflicted to have two inspectors go into the booth with him, is sufficient, it is held, and the "guide" proposition would be subject to grave abuses.

The bill that would put the four days of registration in the same week is opposed on the ground that it would make registration more difficult.

The repeal of the provision requiring election officials to be removed without charges upon the request of the party official who certified his name is opposed. It is stated that instances arise where the party chairman is merely certain that an official is dishonest and yet has no legal proof of the facts.

Transferring the power of appointing the Commissioners of Elections in New York City from the Board of Aldermen to the Mayor is opposed.

As for the bill to reduce the number of State Superintendents of Elections from three to one, and reducing the number of deputies, the report says it is in favor of the general proposition, but is not convinced that the proposed reduction in the number of deputies is desirable.

The committee originally reported in favor of the bill that would permit the Board of Elections in this city to use schoolhouses and other public buildings as places of registry and voting. This part of the report was stricken out by the executive committee.

Changes in Report.

The report of the committee on city legislation originally contained clauses favoring the small Board of Aldermen and opposing the creation of a department of markets. Both were opposed in the executive committee and were stricken from the report.

Following is a summary of the report as it will be considered at the special meeting:

1. Substituting one Commissioner of Accounts, with two deputies, for two commissioners, meets with approval, providing it is so amended as to limit the maximum salaries that can be granted.

2. Changes proposed by the Mills bill reorganizing the magistrates' courts are too far reaching to receive approval without further discussion than has been possible at the present session of the Legislature. Expresses cordial approval of the measure in so far as it tends to expedite the disposition of cases through final action by a magistrate, where all the parties and the District Attorney consent.

3. Indorses and advocates the passage of the McQue bill authorizing the reinstatement after rehearing of policemen.

4. Principle of the bill for a better way of disposing of refuse is favored.

5. Favors the abolition of the Coroner's office, provided the bill is changed so as to make it take effect after the terms of the present incumbents had expired.

6. As to the various bills for consolidating inspection powers the committee was not prepared to indorse any one, but it strongly advocated the confining of the duties of inspection to one department.

7. Underlying principles of the Brennan bill for the reorganization of the municipal court practice and jurisdiction approved.

MURDER CLEWS POINT TO 'FRIEND' AS SLAYER



MRS. EMMA COHN, MOTHER OF THE MURDERED CHILD, AND THE LITTLE GIRL, LEE JOHNSON, WHO WAS KILLED CONSTANTLY FOR HER SILENCE HER DEATH.

POLICE 'POISON PEN' PLOT IS CHARGED

Ex - Lieutenant Herlihy Says Letter Accusation Is "Frame Up."

DENIES SENDING NOTE DEFAMING SUPERIOR

Magistrate Intimates That Case Against Accused Man Is Flimsy One.

John J. Herlihy, former police lieutenant, declared yesterday that he was the victim of a "frame-up" by members of the department he served with a clean record for twenty-seven years. He was arraigned before Magistrate Appleton, in the Tombs court, charged with sending a letter defaming the character of Police Captain Alonzo P. Cooper to Clement J. Driscoll, of the Municipal Research Bureau.

The sentiment of those in the courtroom was in favor of the former lieutenant, and when the magistrate had heard his story he paroled him on his own recognizance until Monday. The court intimated that unless stronger evidence was presented Herlihy would be released at that time.

"This is a police 'frame-up,'" asserted the defendant, in telling his story. "I was in the Police Department twenty-seven years and in the Detective Bureau for eighteen, and in all that time I never had a black mark against me. I do not know who framed this up on me, but I am going to find out."

Herlihy then told how he had retired from the service last October on the advice of Dr. Warner, police surgeon. His last work was desk duty in the fourth branch detective bureau under Captain Cooper. At the time the letter was written, he said, he was

confined to his bed with heart trouble. "I can prove my competency with 'needles,'" he added, "that I never got out of bed until election day. Furthermore, I never had a grudge against Captain Cooper, nor did I have any enmity toward him."

When Captain Cooper was asked to produce the letter it was discovered that the envelope was missing. "They will have a hard time proving their case without it," said Herlihy, "but it would help me in exonerating myself, too."

Captain Cooper said he was not ready to go on with the case. He had expected Mr. Driscoll as a witness, he explained, and William J. Kingsley, the handwriting expert, who said that the writing in the letter was the same as that of the reports which Herlihy wrote at the fourth branch detective bureau.

"I never saw a handwriting expert yet whose opinion was worth much," Magistrate Appleton told Captain Cooper. "You'll have to present more than the testimony of a handwriting expert, that Herlihy wrote that letter. Link you can prove it by competent evidence, you will have to take the case to some other court, for I will not hold him."

The accused man was then paroled in his own custody until Monday. "I do not need any bail from a pensioner of the city with as good a record as yours," the court said to him.

The letter which caused all the trouble accused Captain Cooper of selling unclaimed articles at the 4th Branch and pocketing the proceeds, and also of keeping a room at a Harlem hotel where "nightly orgies" were participated in by notorious characters.

Captain Cooper last night refused to discuss the case.

The affair was discussed, however, in every station house in Manhattan, and the prevailing opinion is that the accused man will be discharged.

In other quarters where Cooper it well known it was said that he would never have made the complaint if pressure from Headquarters had not been brought to bear.

Unemployment To Be Topic.

A meeting will be held at the Yorkville Social Center in the public school at 415 East Eighty-eighth Street tomorrow night at 8:15 to discuss the unemployment situation in Yorkville.

SYMONS COLLECTION SALE NETS \$157,476

French Marriage Chest Brings Highest Price at Closing Session.

A sixteenth century French marriage chest of applewood, elaborately carved, brought the top price, \$3,400, yesterday at the final session of the sale, at the American Art Galleries, of the Symons collection. It ended with a total for the eleven sessions of \$157,476.50. Otto Bernet, as agent, was the purchaser of the chest. Yesterday's session was the largest, the total being \$48,107.50.

This chest, which mingles fifteenth century Gothic and sixteenth century Renaissance details, came from the collection of W. H. Turner Baldwin, at Stede Hill, Kent. Its front is divided by pilasters of composite Ionic design, standing on acanthus leaf bases, into four round arched panelled recesses. These contain symbolic relief figures, one of a woman holding a crucifix (Revelation), another stabbing herself with a sword held in both hands (Self-Negation), another freeing a bird from a cage (Charity), and a fourth holding a chalice in her right hand (Faith).

Mrs. M. B. Whitman gave \$1,950 for a pair of Louis Seize bronze statues, a nude boy and girl on square pedestals, said to represent the high-water mark of late eighteenth century French sculpture. They were probably by Clodion.

A bronze bust of William Ernest Henley, by Rodin, purchased from the Henley family after Mr. Henley's death, after keen competition, was finally knocked down to Alfred Stroin for \$1,725. Four years after Henley's death a replica in marble of this bust, also made by Rodin, was unveiled in St. Paul's Cathedral by the Earl of Plymouth.

An eighteenth century French cabinet by Rousset, of rosewood inlaid with tulip and satinwood and a marquetry of colored woods and ivory, was sold to Mrs. Grones for \$1,425. Otto Bernet, as agent, gave \$1,400 for "The Battle of the Thundering Legion," a sixteenth century Brussels tapestry, after a design by Giulio Romano. The same buyer paid \$1,100 for a pair of

Queen Anne carved and gilt wood mirrors and \$1,000 for a fourth century Gallo-Roman sculpture, a commemorative tablet of statuary marble from the Muirhead Moffatt collection of Glasgow.

A set of six Louis Quinze Gros Point armchairs went to the Lane Company for \$900, and Charles & Co. gave \$900 for two Louis Quinze walnut armchairs with high backs, upholstered in exceptional petit point.

W. M. Elkins gave \$500 for the famous Rushout lacquer cabinet and stand. The Misses Rushout, called "The Three Graces," were the daughters of Sir John Rushout. This cabinet came from the collection of Lady Harrington.

NEW CHANCE TO ENROLL

Voters Without Allegiance May Join Sulzer's Party.

Some unenrolled voters have been puzzled by the receipt of blanks to enroll in the American or Sulzer party, which they are instructed to return to the Board of Elections. This does not mean that it is necessary for them to enroll.

That opportunity is given to them under the election law, as the American party became a legal organization by casting 10,000 votes or more for Governor in the last election. Opponents to enroll in other parties was had last fall.

If you get one of the blanks from the Board of Elections you can disregard it unless you wish to affiliate yourself with the Sulzer party.

BANK GOVERNORS CONFER

Reserve Officials Plan Uniform Check Collecting System.

A committee of the Reserve Bank governors, which has been working out a plan for a uniform system of check collections for the banks in the Federal Reserve system, concluded a three-day series of conferences yesterday at the Metropolitan Club.

Pierre Jay, chairman of the New York bank board, while not a member of the committee, stated that excellent progress was being made on the plan, and he thought it was only a question of a short time when it could be placed in operation. The plan, however, will first be submitted to the Federal Reserve Board for its final approval.

WILL GIVE "CANDIDA"

Princeton Students to Present Shaw Play Here.

Princeton, N. J., March 20.—The Princeton English Dramatic Association will present "Candida," one of Bernard Shaw's productions, in New York on March 27 in the ballroom of the Hotel Plaza. A dance will follow the performance.

The association was formed with the idea of presenting only standard plays by the great authors of the past, but it broke away from the Elizabethan productions last year, when it staged Ibsen's "The Pillars of Society." Performances outside of Princeton have been permitted by the faculty for only three years.

EDUCATIONAL LECTURES

Three Under Board of Education This Week.

John J. Murphy, Commissioner of the Tenement House Department, will speak at Cooper Institute on Wednesday evening on "Housing Regulations in the City of New York," and J. Hampden Dougherty will speak on Saturday on "Some Needs of Judicial Reform." The lectures are part of the course conducted by the Board of Education.

The fourth lecture in the course on Journalism, conducted by the board at the Metropolitan Temple, will be given by Samuel Strauss, of "The New York Times," on Tuesday evening. The lecture, accompanied by stereopticon views, will be on "Illustrating the Newspaper."

Finda Baby Under 'L' Seat.

While awaking drowsy homegoers on a Third Avenue elevated train early yesterday morning Conductor James Goodwin found that he had an unexpected passenger. As the train pulled into the Bronx Park station he discovered a six weeks' old baby girl lying under one of the cross seats helping herself to the contents of a milk bottle. On her white coat someone had pinned the following note: "Please do not forget me and call me Josephine." The child was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

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300 YEARS' HISTORY FOR BIG PAGEANT

Brooklyn Citizens Busy Arranging Details for Spectacle To Be Held in May.

Women have made possible where men, frightened by the war, failed, and the great Brooklyn Historical Pageant is assured. A spectacular play, comprising a dozen episodes depicting Brooklyn history since the first landing of the Dutch, will be staged in the 33d Regiment Armory for three performances on Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22. Martin H. Weirach is the author.

General details were settled yesterday at a meeting of the committee in the Eagle Building. Of the proceeds 75 per cent will go to Brooklyn charities and the remainder toward the fund which is being raised to build a new home for the menagerie in Prospect Park. Two thousand prominent Brooklynites and a chorus of 1,000 voices from the schools will take part.

At yesterday's meeting Alexander C. Snyder, of the Flatbush branch of the Broadway Trust Company, was elected treasurer of the reorganized staff. Mrs. August Dreyer, enough whose generosity the enterprise has been made possible, is working on a list of patrons and patronesses.

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FOREIGN STUDENTS COME

Many More from War Zone Inquire About Columbia.

War's effect on European education is being felt at Columbia, where Dean Frederick A. Goetze, of the School of Mines, Engineering and Chemistry, has received many inquiries from students in Belgium, France, Turkey, England, Spain and even Palestine, regarding the graduate courses in engineering which begin in September. At that time the engineering schools at Columbia will be placed on a graduate basis.

During the year Columbia has enrolled many foreign students who have been forced to discontinue their work at European universities.

LOWELL'S WORK SHOWN

Plates at Museum Illustrate Astronomer's Researches.

A large photograph of Halley's comet, showing not only the comet itself, but the stars drawn into lines by the motion of the camera in following the comet, the planet Venus and a meteor which chanced to pass directly across the plate during exposure, may be seen at the American Museum of Natural History. This is the most striking of a series of photographic transparencies illustrating the researches of the work of Professor Percival Lowell and his staff at the observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz. The exhibition will continue until May 1.

Father Knickerbocker and his five daughters, representing the boroughs in consolidation.

The interlude will portray "The Spirit of Liberty" and "The Spirit of Bondage." In the postlude "The Future" will be attended by Commerce, Industry, Art, Science, Music, Law, Invention, Religion and Medicine. For the finale there will be a procession and review of the pageant characters.

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